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Andover voters buy another year for AES

By ALISON ALOISIO

Andover will raise and pay \$214,600 next year to keep its elementary school open, following overwhelming approval of a ballot question last week.

Residents voted 229-56 to raise the money, and give an AES citizen committee another year to come up with a long-term plan for the Andover Elementary School.

The SAD 44 School Board voted this spring to close the school next year, but the town had the option to keep it open by paying the cost itself to the district.

For the longer term, the committee is researching withdrawal from SAD 44 and operating independently; joining a school union; joining RSU 10 in Rumford; tuitioning students to other school systems;

continuing to work with SAD 44, and perhaps negotiating a greater contribution from Andover to the budget; and forming a charter school.

The AES committee will continue its weekly meetings on Thursdays at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Reaction

After the vote Susan Merrow, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, advocated for the charter option.

"This is an opportunity for the SAD 44 board to be innovative and solution-oriented, rather than just go with the simple, same-old mind set," she said. "If we want to keep young families in Maine, then we need leadership and administrators who are willing to do something new. The legislature just passed a charter

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SAD 44 FY '12 budget approved at district meeting

By ALISON ALOISIO

At Tuesday's district budget meeting, about 90 SAD 44 voters approved a \$9,727,300 FY '12 school budget.

They also approved a \$132,300 reduction in the overall local share, thanks to lower-than-expected fuel costs and a \$50,000 gift from the Patriot Renewables wind power company. The gift will be used to restore a Woodstock Elementary School teaching position initially cut in the budget process.

The budget also includes \$214,600 to keep the Andover Elementary School open next year, with the entire sum to be paid by the town of Andover.

A validation referendum vote on the district budget will take place Tuesday, June 28, in the individual SAD 44 towns. Residents will vote on whether or not to give final approval on the \$9.7 million figure approved at the district meeting.

Gorham mill reopens

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A cheaper source of fuel, a dedicated sales team and workforce, and an investment in a tissue machine will help the last paper mill in New Hampshire's North Country succeed, state and mill industry representatives say.

The changes come to the mill in Gorham as the papermaking industry fights growing competition from overseas plants in recent years. Some mills in northern New England have had staying power because they have developed business in specialized papers. Others have had to contend with rising oil costs to run the plants and a loss in demand as email and the Internet have replaced the need for some types of paper.

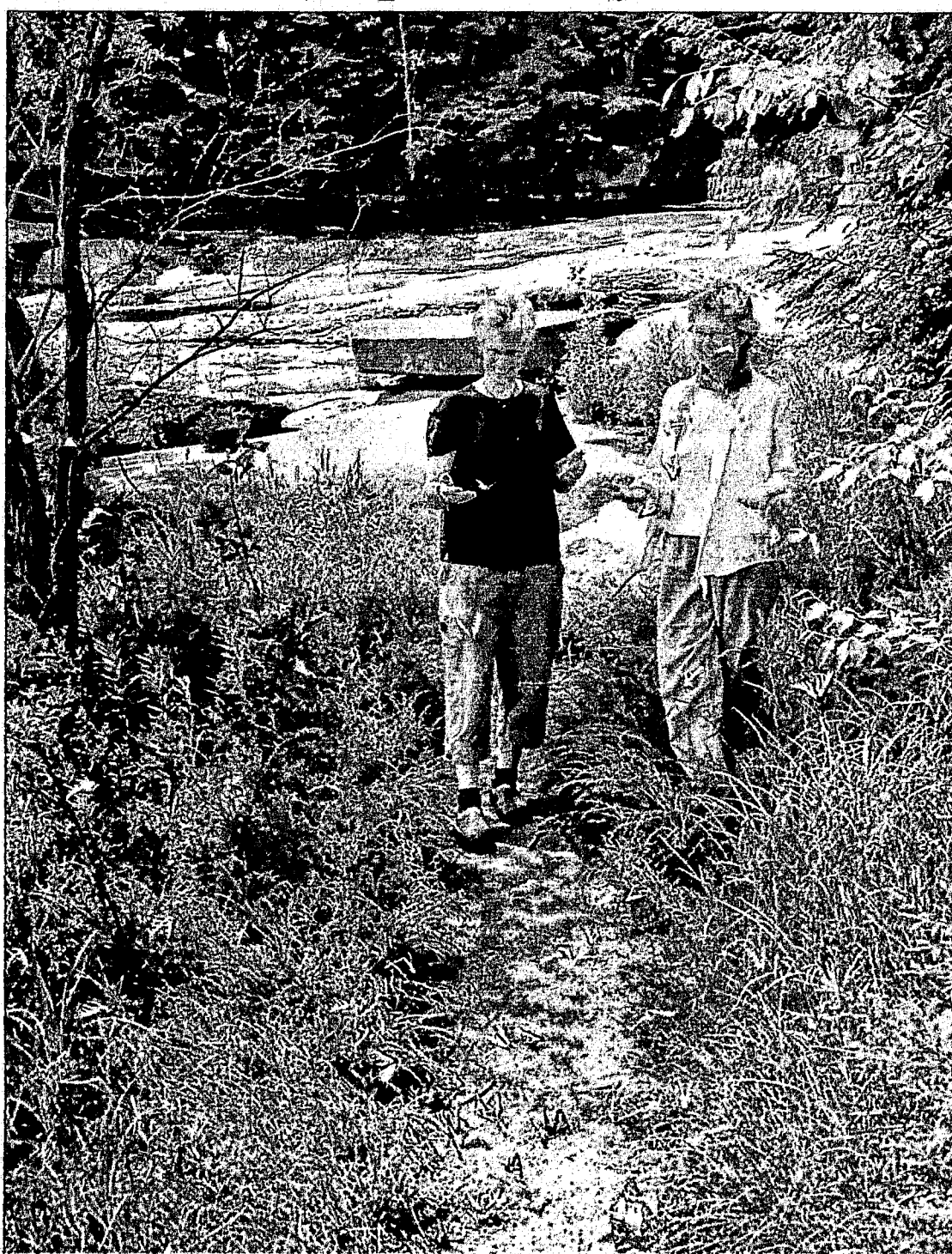
The Gorham mill, shut down

for eight months but newly acquired by a New York private equity firm, reopened, with the startup of its paper towel machine and at least 70 of its approximately 240 workers called back. The plans are to add more staff and operations in July.

"They're concentrating on areas that they can be strong on, that there's a little bit less competition — towel and tissue is a little bit more difficult to, let's say, import from Asia and make it feasible," said George Bald, commissioner of New Hampshire's Department of Resources and Economic Development. "I just know that they are sharp people, they have been successful and they want to show that they can make this a very

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Flutterers 'puddle' by the falls



Recent visitors to Screw Auger Falls have been greeted not only by omnipresent black flies and mosquitoes, but by flutters of swallowtails, from groups that have been 'puddling' in moist spots along the trails, stocking up in minerals and other nutrients (photo Page 4). Here, Marcia Curtis and Ashley Griffith, of Amherst, Mass., enjoy this unexpected bonus on their first visit to Grafton Notch.

(Photo: M. Daniels)

Rebels repeat as state Class C Champs

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Telstar High School Softball Team Monday celebrated the 20th anniversary of the school's first state Class C Championship by winning another.

It was the Rebels' fourth title, and the second in two years.

Telstar defeated Dexter High School 7-0 in Brewer Monday evening, in a game postponed from Saturday by weather.

Pitcher Kayla Merrill, one of nine seniors on

the team, threw a shutout and allowed only three hits. She finished her career at Telstar with a 50-2 record, and the Rebels finished their season with an 18-1 record.

Merrill helped her cause by driving in two runs on two hits, one of them a triple. Her sister, catcher Lyndsay Merrill, had three hits and scored three times. First baseman Nicena Walker had three hits and three RBIs.

Center fielder Hannah Morin and second

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STATE CHAMPS-Telstar High School Monday won the Class C State Championship in softball for the second year in a row. The Rebels are pictured here after the game with their plaque. Photo in the upper right of the page is from last week's Western Regional Final.

(Photo: Mary Merrill)

Asphalt appeal denied

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The Bethel Board of Appeals has rejected Bruce Manzer's appeal of the town Planning Board's April decision to deny a site plan application for an asphalt plant Manzer planned to operate in a North Road gravel pit.

Where the Planning Board's review process was drawn out over many months, the Appeals Board meeting, held Friday afternoon in the town office meeting room, lasted less than 25 minutes (including post-vote digressions on the Town Code's Odor Ordinance).

But both reviews produced the same result: a unanimous vote by members of the reviewing board to reject Manzer's plan, and, later, appeal.

Friday's hearing opened with Appeals Board Chairman Mike O'Donnell recusing himself; because, he explained, during the early phases of the Planning Board's review he had signed a petition against the plant — out of concern, he said, for its possible impact on Angevine Park, on which O'Donnell, an attorney, had labored many hours.

The Appeals Board normally has five members, but Pat Carter had resigned two days earlier, following her elec-

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Alcohol Mary Rd. will keep the name

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Hertell family "hold her sainted in their memories, and to have 'Alcohol Mary' associated with her is a desecration of memory," Attorney Jennifer Kreckel told the Greenwood Board of Selectmen Tuesday evening.

But in the end, public opinion and practical considerations weighed more with the board than Hertell-family hagiography.

Kreckel spoke for Arthur Hertell, of Bethel, who was requesting the town change the name of Alcohol Mary Road, where his grandmother, also named Mary, lived.

The coincidence in names, coupled with the fact that the Hertell family once had a farm on nearby Richardson Hollow Road, has led to an erroneous belief among some people that the Hertells' ancestor was the Mary for whom the road was named.

As a result, Kreckel said, family members are forced to deal with often-demeaning telephone calls about their connection with the name.

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Letters

DON'T 'FIX' WHAT'S NOT BROKEN

To the Editor:

Because the Bethel Planning Board was so rigorous in its attention to detail in regard to denying the Manzer application for an asphalt plant the Bethel Appeals Board took less than thirty minutes to find that there were no grounds for an appeal. Then, however, two Appeals Board members chose to speak extempore on the need-in their opinion-to "review" the very ordinance which had just protected the property owners along the North Road and Mayville from being subjected each summer to noxious and offensive odors. The reasoning of the two Appeals Board members seemed to be that — in their opinion-the ordinance as written was too vague and might potentially "keep Bethel's Best" from being sited next to the home of a person who found the smell of french fry oil every day offensive. It was also suggested that perhaps we would be better off following DEP standards or something similar without a specific "odor" ordinance.

Two points leap to mind:

1) The standard the Planning Board goes by is what decision a "reasonable" person would reach, given the evidence. A reasonable person would almost certainly find that if you build a new home twenty feet from Bethel's Best you had better like the smell of hamburgers and french fries (and the diner would certainly be able to argue that they had been Grandfathered and had had no previous complaints from other abutters), but that if Bethel's Best decides to build a new diner on the lot next to your home and you bring your concerns to the Board's attention, Bethel's Best had better be prepared to either demonstrate that the odors will not reach your home or scrubber technology (a form of which Mr. Manzer testified earlier was available to him but which he had no intention of purchasing or using) that would protect your property rights would be used.

2) Furthermore I would just like to remind the members of the Appeals Board that the paper plant in Rumford passes all DEP standards. Can either of these Board Members honestly claim that they would be satisfied with knowing that the only protection of their own property rights was the DEP standards if someone wanted to site a paper mill in Bethel?

Our Bethel Planning Board is made up of "reasonable" persons, and we should trust them to make reasonable decisions, not tie their hands behind their backs forcing them to allow an asphalt plant or a paper mill next to residences simply on the off chance that a business which is not offensive to most people would be denied under the same ordinance.

Has this ever happened?

No.
Let's not endanger our own rights or peace of mind by fixing things that are not broken.

Chandler McGrew
Bethel

DO FIX HIGH FUEL PRICES

To the Editor:

Almost everyday on one of the news channels, some politician is claiming they wish our economy would improve, while saying they have no idea how to jump start it. Dah!

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to understand that as soon as fuel prices started rising, the bottom dropped out of our economy. People started losing their jobs and homes and then they had to relocate in hopes of finding work. Gasoline and fuel oil are the life blood that fuels this country and it is difficult for me to understand why Congress has not done anything about the rising costs. In my opinion, those individuals who are responsible, for whatever reason, pose a bigger threat to this country than Al Qaeda terrorists do.

I wonder if these high fuel prices are even an inconvenience to Washington's politicians. If the politicians had to struggle like most of their constituents have to, then maybe something would be done.

As things stand now, in my opinion, the Legislative Branch of our government seems dysfunctional.

Randall Probert
Bethel

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for length, libel, taste and readability. Letters should be limited to 300 words, but that limit will be waived when the situation warrants.

In situations where the letter writer has a political, economic, familial or other relationship that could be perceived as bearing on the topic addressed in the letter, we strongly suggest the writer make that relationship known in the text of the letter or after their signature.

When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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Send your letters to: Editor, Bethel Citizen, PO Box 109, Bethel, ME 04217-0109. Fax: 824-2426. E-mail: news@

PLEASE LEAVE OUR LOONS TO THEMSELVES

To the Editor:

The loons are nesting on the ponds in the area. And we all need to be respectful of their spaces. The loons alternate both male and female sitting on the nest for approximately 28 days, while the other partner gathers fish for the one on the nest. They are very skitterish at this time.

We may all appreciate their calls on the lake and their peaceful appearance swimming by canoes, kayaks and motorboats. But while they are nesting they need to be left alone. Without the young, we won't have loons for the future. Please don't swim next to a loon nest. Avoid motorboating near a loon nest and please don't kayak close just to get the "perfect photo." They need their space or they will abandon the nest and the egg or eggs.

Jane Chandler
Woodstock

INVITATION TO PLAY IN END-OF-SUMMER CONCERT

To the Editor:

The Mahosuc Community Band invites local middle and high school musicians to join us for the summer. Our End-of-Summer Concert will be held on Monday, Aug. 15 at Gould Academy (Bingham Hall) at 7 p.m.

Middle school students (going into seventh or eighth grade) will join the band on three numbers. High school students are welcome to play with us on as many pieces as they wish.

The band rehearses on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. in the basement of the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel. The church is on the corner of Church Street and Park Street. The entrance to the basement is on Park Street. Middle school students will rehearse from 7 to 8 p.m.; everyone else will play until 8:45 p.m.

If you'd like to check us out, come to next Monday's rehearsal on June 13. If you decide to play in the Aug. 15 concert we ask that you attend the final rehearsal on Aug. 8, plus at least four other rehearsals of your choosing.

As always, any adults in the community who would like to play with us are also welcome.

If you plan to come to next Monday's rehearsal please contact Kathleen DeVore, either by e-mail katdev@aol.com, or by phone 875-2364.

We hope you can join us!

Kathleen DeVore
Bethel

DEVASTATION OF REPUBLICAN FISCAL POLICY

To the Editor:

On May 22, 2011 the area around Joplin, Mo., was visited by a tornado of devastating magnitude. In a matter of a few minutes the life's accumulation of treasures of many of the inhabitants of that area were shattered beyond redemption. If it were indeed within the realm of possibility, there is no question that the people affected would opt for instantaneous restoration of normality. Such is not within the realm of possibility, and the stark reality is that with all the available aid and effort it will take a prolonged time, fortitude, deliberation and patience to achieve even the slightest degree of a normal existence for the inhabitants of that area.

For eight years, the most recent Republican administration's inept fiscal ideology spawned an economic tornado that brought the same degree of devastation to this country's economy, as the Joplin tornado did to the physical aspects of that area.

To expect the present administration to effect instant restoration of what it took the last administration eight years to undo is not within the realm of possibility.

For the potential Republican candidates for president of the United States to proclaim that a return to that which brought on this economic calamity is in the best interest of the collective average citizenry of the nation would be comparable to trying to convince the inhabitants of Joplin that if the tornado would return it would somehow undo what it did during its first visitation.

Don Chase
Bethel

BETHEL LIBRARY QUILT RAFFLE

To the Editor:

The Cross Country Quilters have again generously donated a quilt for the Bethel Library quilt raffle. The design "around the world with a twist" is in vibrant shades of blue, green and yellow. Raffle tickets may be purchased at the Bethel Library, where the quilt is on display. They are also available at Bonnama Potters, Books 'N Things, Mountain Greenery, Pat's Pizza, Pooh Corner Farm and the River View Resort.

Tickets will be on sale during the summer at special events. The drawing for the quilt will be at the Harvest Fest-Chwdah Cook-off in September.

Caroline V. Gould, Lucia L. Schwarz
Bethel

LIBRARY PLANT SALE THANKS

To the Editor:

The Annual Bethel Library Plant Sale was held on June 4 this year. Our thanks go out to all of the people who made it a huge success by purchasing or giving plants.

Thank you to the professional gardeners at Pooh Corner Farm, Mountain Greenery, and Foxgloves & Daisies who donated perennials. Thank you also to the many, many local gardeners - Marilyn Sahlberg, Ginny Gamble, Melody Bonnema, Jim St. Germain, Sally Taylor, Carol Bailey, Mark Bennett, Jamie Vogt, Ginger Rickman, Barbara Honkala, Ross Swain, Leslie Kavanagh, Claire Carver, Patricia Hicks, Peggy Wight, Kathleen Devore, June Abbott, Amy Davis, Jackie Cressey, Gina Douglass - who gave us plants from their gardens.

A big thank you to the Bethel Fire Department for allowing us to use their tables. Thank you also to Gina for lending her time and talents to creating beautiful new signs and to Nancy Brown for her help with publicity.

We have a wonderful group of committee members who donate plants from their gardens and help in so many ways. We are fortunate to have had help from committee members Susan Day, Michelle Conroy, Pinky Rinebold, Lorrie Hoeh, Martha Siegel, Kate Goldberg, Seneca Corriveau, and Norm Davis this year. We are very grateful to Norm for his generous monetary contribution to the library in addition to his highly prized plants.

We apologize if we left anyone off the list of those who donated this year.

With gratitude and best wishes for happy gardening,

Susan Parker and John Applin
Library Trustees and committee chairpersons

'Celladore'

From the 1954-1964 Journals of Beckie Bailey, Installment 24

The First Years: Kristie Comes, Winter

Next day B.B. was off early to Mr. Gammon, who never guaranteed his animals, but he never refused to take them back. For an exchange, the boot paid was probably high, but it was a kind of code that worked; one never had a complete loss. B.B. came home announcing no more mares, too temperamental; he had chosen a fine blocky-built chestnut gelding. Mr. Gammon would bring him next day and take Pinky back. He did not come next day, in fact not for a week, and I counted off the hours and nights praying that Pinky would stay on her feet. She did, and B.B. was gone when the truck came up the hill. I knew that horse trading was not considered a woman's sphere, so I watched furtively from the window until Pinky was loaded, then went out and exchanged a brief greeting with Mr. Gammon who hurriedly left. Then to see the new horse. I knew that my knowledge of horse-kind was limited, but I thought that I could tell a mare from a gelding, and I was positive I could tell a Cleveland bay from a chestnut. Age and confirmation I wouldn't attempt to judge. This was a long-legged very thin creature covered with lumps. I gave her a pail full of water. She smiled at me. A forkful of hay, she dived at it as though starved, then stopped chewing and gave a soft whinny. I filled the crib and could hardly wait for B.B. to get home.

When I heard the car coming, I lit a lantern and greeted him at the door saying Pinky was safely gone, relief, relief, relief. The new horse was here. I went in to fix dinner. In came B.B. laughing, this was not the horse he had ordered. To the phone, back laughing again. Mr. Gammon had told him that his chestnut gelding had gone lame, but he thought this mare would be perfect for his needs. We were to try her for a few days; if not satisfied he would switch again. Next day was a January rarity. The mercury was up to fifty, the sun shone brightly. B.B. came in form the barn saying that he was ashamed to take a beast as thin as this one out to work, but it was such a fine day, he would hitch up and try her. Off they went and I followed on snowshoes. She did indeed know all about twitching wood, even seemed to like it, but her strength was limited. B.B. was hooked; he would keep her and see if good food and care would fatten her and improve her coat. Ravenous as she always was for food, she never failed to whinny her thanks.

We had been invited to join a Great Books discussion group. B.B. was committed to attend a three-day leader's conference about a hundred miles from here. I was sure that I could manage alone here, nothing to do but tend the fires and feed and water the mare. He left. Within an hour phones Miss Fan saying, "I don't think you ought to stay alone way off in the woods. Don't you think that I ought to come and stay with you?"

"Why, what could happen?"

"Bears might come, or a moose, or you drop a limp or..."

I realized that she was restless, her activities so curtailed from semi-blindness; this would be an outing, a return to a life like her youth, so I quickly said, "Of course, if you really feel able to come, I would be a lot safer with you here." I had planned a reading binge and this would be out with Miss Fan about, but I had other things to do, could sandpaper furniture I was refinishing.

Soon she arrived in a fur coat, a red velvet hat, earrings, and a party dress. Brother Stanley landed her in, then a suitcase, then gingerly toted in a large awkward box, rolled his eyes at me and departed. Miss Fan took a turn about the house to see if anything new or different, then unpacked and donned a big apron. "Now," she said, "I can help you and maybe we can get something done. I thought I ought to wear a half decent dress in case anyone should drop in." Then she began to take a lot of groceries and cooking dishes out of the box.

"Why did you bring all this food?" I asked.

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Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Mountain bikers from across New England competed for points and \$1,000 in prizes at the annual River Rage Mountain Bike Race and Festival at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Mary Keniston retired as bookkeeper at the Bethel Historical Society.

Birth: Madison Drapeau.

Deaths: Raymond C. Wilson, Arline L. Hutchinson, Richard H. Farrar, Franklin B. Chapman, George Gilbert, Robert DeNormandie, James S. Haskell, Sylvia G. Luxton, John G. Even.

20 years ago: The Telstar High School softball team beat Madawaska High School 11-0 to win the Western Maine Class C championship.

NTL announced that it would cease its Bethel operations by the end of the year, saying its facilities here were inadequate, inconvenient and did not attract clients.

Bethel Police Chief Dale Bellman suffered a serious heart attack.

Deaths: Mary S. Chadbourne, Kenneth L. Saunders, John C. Heath, Erlon S. Bean, Richard C. Cameron.

30 years ago: Timothy Wheeler and Becky Sue Davis received the 1981 Student Citizenship Awards at the Chamber of Commerce awards banquet.

Raymond G. Moran, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Bethel Savings Bank submitted his resignation effective June 30.

Birth: Staci Renee Littlehale. Death: Mrs. Annie Curtis Mills.

40 years ago: Terry Inman and Roberta Anderson of the Albany Jack and Jills attended the Maine Youth Conference held at the University of Maine at Farmington.

A party honoring retiring teachers, Mrs. Elizabeth Wight and Mrs. Frances Bennett was held at the Bear River Grange Hall in Newry.

Susan Davis and Nancy Trinward were attending Girls' State at Colby College.

Birth: Stephanie Alice Halle. Deaths: Herbert R. Bean, Mrs. Sarah F. Chase.

50 years ago: Work was underway laying new sewer pipe from the head of Chapman Street to Main Street.

Free Red Cross Swimming Lessons were being held at Songo Pond.

Thirty students were enrolled in Bethel's driver-training program with instructor John Roberts.

Births: Robin Scott Hibbard, Robert Edward Hall.

Deaths: Kalle Lilmatta, Mrs. Sophia Matson.

60 years ago: The transfer of the Bethel Grammar School, at the corner of Elm and High streets, to Gould Academy was completed. The town received \$60,000 for the building, which was completed and first used in 1894 when the village schools on Broad and Mechanic Streets and several outside schools were consolidated.

Mrs. Carrie Bartlett of East Bethel was honored at a dinner party on her 92nd birthday.

Birth: John Gilman Chapman.

70 years ago: Dr. Payson Smith gave the commencement address at Gould Academy and spoke at the alumni luncheon.

Percy Brinck cut off the end of a finger while working at the H. F. Thurston & Son mill.

Clayton Crockett was projectionist at the Ritz Theatre, Gorham, N.H.

80 years ago: At a special meeting of the Bethel Village Corporation, it was voted to have a night policeman.

More than \$100 worth of goods was taken by burglars at Lyon's jewelry store and the same night a gasoline pump lock at Crockett's Garage was broken and gasoline stolen.

90 years ago: A 34x63 foot addition, two stories and basement, was being added to the Bryant Pond school building by H. Alton Bacon.

100 years ago: A bridge was being built over the Cambridge River in Grafton.

The Androscoggin Log Drive Company spent two nights camped at West Bethel.

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Champs

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baseman Kallie Brown made good defensive plays behind Merrill to help preserve the shutout. Morin also had a double. Lyndsay Merrill picked off a runner at first.

"The keys to the game were timely hitting," said Coach Jim Lunney. "In the third and fifth innings we had good hits from the heart of our order. Kayla, Nicena and Hannah Morin all had key RBI hits for us. Lyndsay Merrill got on base four times with three hits and a hit-by-pitch. We had runners on every inning of the game. We had good at bats the entire game, moving runners along even with our outs. Solid game from everyone."

"Kallie Brown, Hannah Morin, Katie Sumner, Nicena Walker and Kayla at the mound anchored the defense. Hannah made a tremendous catch of a hard hit ball in the sixth inning.

"Dexter was a high scoring team in eastern Maine, scor-

ing 175 runs during the regular season. But here at Telstar we figure that we have the best pitcher and teams are not prepared to face the array of pitches that Kayla has."

Merrill nominated for state award

Merrill's array of pitches earned her a nomination for "Miss Maine Softball." She is one of two finalists. The award winner is chosen from among senior players in Classes A, B, C and D. Only one Class C player has ever won, Lunney said.

Over her career, Merrill has allowed only 3.02 hits per game. Her 50-2 record is the highest winning percentage for any Telstar pitcher with more than 20 wins.

Merrill will play in the Maine State Senior All Star Game today (Thursday) in Augusta, where the winner will be announced. Also playing in the game will be Nicena Walker, Hannah Morin, and Katie Sumner.

Mill

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good success as well," he said of Patriarch Partners, led by CEO Lynn Tilton.

Tilton, whose firm specializes in buying distressed manufacturing businesses and bringing them back to life, recently met with the mill workers and state and local officials who worked on finding a buyer after the last owner, Fraser Papers, declared bankruptcy in 2009.

"If I can show America a fairy tale of business owner and worker — and government and business — coming together to rebuild our country, then others will do it," Tilton told the crowd. "It will take all of us to do it."

Tilton plans to spend the money to convert the mill's fuel source from oil to gas in about five months. "It's a must," she said. The gas line has been secured that would supply power to the mill from a landfill.

"She said the largest investment will be a tissue machine, so we can battle against foreign imports." She estimated it would take about a year to build the machine and get it operating.

Tilton said one reason she took interest in Gorham was because Patriarch had bought the Old Town Fuel & Fiber mill in Maine a few years ago, the firm's first mill venture.

Old Town's owner had filed for bankruptcy. The mill had been selling pulp to customers such as the Gorham mill, but also was researching the development of biofuels.

"We got the mill back up and running, we put all the workers back to work, we were able to make money and we're building a bio refinery," Tilton said. "We're going to be the first to make jet fuel out of wood on a mill level. Everybody, every day is proud of the work we do together. So that is what gave me the in-

spiration to be here."

Maine has about 10 paper mills and still is regarded as the No. 2 papermaking state by volume, behind Wisconsin, said John Williams, president of the Maine Pulp & Paper Association, a trade group. Some have succeeded in making coated papers for magazines and catalogs, and in tissue production. They have been able to hire more staff. Others, such as two Katahdin region paper mills that closed, struggled to find alternative fuel sources and cope with decreasing demand for certain products.

"The hope is someone will come in and buy those mills," he said. Talks have been going on between the state and possible investors.

New Hampshire has seen a steady decline in paper mill jobs. Dennis Delay, an economist with the New Hampshire Center for Public Policy Studies, said New Hampshire had about 7,000 jobs in the paper industry until the mid-1970s, but then the decline started. "We were down to 4,000 jobs in paper by 2000, and dropped to 1,400 jobs in paper by 2009," he said.

Northern New Hampshire, once populated by about a half-dozen paper mills, has seen them all close, the most recent being pulp and paper mills in Berlin and Groveton.

"Pulp is very, very competitive — that again is coming from South America and Asia," Bald said. The mills also were selling specialty papers, such as for financial reports, but the demand for that had lessened. "Unfortunately, those things a lot of people now get by email," he said.

One mill that has had staying power in New Hampshire is Monadnock Paper Mills in Bennington. It's been running since 1819.

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Asphalt

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tion as selectman, so that left a three-member quorum of Wendy Gray, Lennie Shaw and Scott Gould.

Gray, the board's vice chairman, chaired the meeting.

Manzer, in an earlier e-mail, based the appeal on three grounds: "Time length of the process," "Lack of similar scrutiny to prior applicants with regards to odor," and "Equality in the entire process with regards to properties within Bethel that are allowed to emit odor."

Board discussion was preceded by remarks from Phil Saucier, acting as town attorney.

Saucier reminded the board that the matter at hand was strictly an administrative appeal, and consequently they could consider only two standards: 1) was the decision of the Planning Board contrary to provisions of the Town Code, or 2) was the decision unsupported by substantial evidence in the record.

"You're also limited to the record in the Planning Board record," he told the board. "No new evidence can come in tonight."

Manzer, elaborating Friday

on his earlier e-mail, argued that the site-plan application rejected by the board had, in fact, met the necessary standards, and he objected to "anecdotal evidence being injected to the process" and non-residents being allowed to testify at Planning Board meetings.

But Gray countered that she believed the points he raised in the e-mail or comments, "had nothing to do with the appeal standards of the ordinance."

"There's oodles and oodles of evidence" to support the Planning Board's conclusion, she contended.

Gould concurred. "The decision of the Planning Board was definitely not contrary to the provisions of the Town Code. Everything they did was very deliberately looked at."

And the odor standard, he said, "is very specific as to what it says."

"The only other thing you can appeal it on is that the decision was unsupported by substantial evidence — and there's tons, and tons, and tons of evidence in writing," Gould said he had read all

the files and listened to all the tapes, "and I really don't see any basis for this."

Shaw expressed sympathy to Manzer: "You dotted all the T's, crossed all the T's, and answered all the questions."

But, he said, "I feel the board acted appropriately and correctly."

He then move to deny the appeal.

The three members then voted to do that, but immediately after Gray said she hoped "the Ordinance Review Committee would look very seriously at the odor ordinance. I feel that we're going down a slippery slope here."

Gray continued: "I don't see that the way this ordinance is written, anyone could reasonably meet the criteria for not going beyond your lot line."

Shaw then added his own observations, on manure, but Planning Board Chairman Al Cressy, who was in the audience, pointed out that agricultural activities are not covered by the Site Plan Ordinance.

Manzer has 45 days from the Friday's decision to file a court appeal.

Road

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'Unreasonable request'

Several of those family members were at Tuesday's meeting to support the request, as were a dozen or so residents of Alcohol Mary Road, all of whom were opposed to any change in its name.

One, Amy Harren, told the board she has lived on the road for "about 15 years," and has never encountered anyone offended by the name.

"The road name to me is woven into the fabric of Greenwood history, and it's nothing to be ashamed of."

"Alcohol Mary Road to me embodies Maine's independence and resilience," Harren said, "during a time that was very difficult."

She termed the request "unreasonable."

Nancy Dewing, who with her husband, Andy, has live on Alcohol Mary Road since the 1970s, said she, too, was proud,

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islature just passed a charter school law that will allow for 15 charter opportunities. Will the administration step up and seek to have Andover included in the pilot program? How about a magnet school?"

Regarding that option, Supt. Dave Murphy said, "It is still early in the process as the Charter School bill is still working its way through the Legislature. We will have to see what it finally looks like if it does become law. Recent amendments made to the proposed legislation state that only 10 schools could

be formed over the next 10 years, with none opening until July 2012. I am sure there will be much more information coming out about this over the next few weeks."

As for the vote in Andover, Murphy said, "The folks in Andover are to be commended for their efforts to keep their elementary school open. They came together and worked diligently on this issue. The result of the June 16 referendum vote was an overwhelming indicator of the support the community has for retaining their small school."

mailing addresses — including deeds, mortgages, licenses, and a variety of other legal documents.

Even mapping and navigation software would need to be updated, Harren noted.

After 20 or so minutes of discussion, Selectman Arnie Jordan said: "I think from what we heard tonight, and the letters we've received, the overwhelming opinion is that we should keep the name as it is."

Selectman Amy Chapman said that she would probably view the request differently if a last name were associated with the road name, "but there are a lot of Marys; there are Marys in my family, and there are Marys in your families, I'm sure," she said. "It was probably the most common name a century ago."

Jordan, Chapman and Board Chair Fred Henderson then voted to deny the request.

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OCSD Patrol Log:

Wednesday, June 15

At 12:24 p.m. Deputy Mike Halacy did a welfare check on Paradise Road.

At 5:10 a.m. a caller reported a horse in the middle of the road on Vernon Street. The owner was located to retrieve the horse.

At 5:22 p.m. Sgt. Tim Holland responded to Mason Street for a report of a threat.

Thursday, June 16

At 8:20 p.m. Tim Ontengco, Joseph Mills and Sgt. Tim Holland assisted two oversized loads around the bridge construction in Bethel.

Friday, June 17

At 6:25 a.m. Deputy Mike Halacy escorted two oversized loads around bridge construction on Route 2.

At 10:43 a.m. a caller reported the theft of a chainsaw from a porch. Deputy Dennis Ryder was assigned.

At 3:55 p.m. Deputies Willie Nelson and Dave Hodgson responded to Mason Street for a report of a threat that proved to be unfounded.

At 9:11 p.m. Deputy Willie Nelson conducted a welfare check on the Walkers Mills Road.

Saturday, June 18

At 9:35 p.m. Deputy Bruce Korhonen responded to Route 2 in West Bethel for a report of erratic operation.

At 9:59 p.m. Deputy Bruce Korhonen responded to the Chandler Hill Road for a report of an explosion and a bright light.

Monday, June 20

At 7:10 p.m. Deputy Dennis Ryder responded to Main Street for a report of a threat. A subject was advised to seek protection from abuse papers.

At 7:47 p.m. Deputy Dennis Ryder responded to the Mayville Road for a report that a subject had thrown a beer bottle out of a vehicle, and the bottle almost struck a pedestrian. The vehicle was located and a summons issued.

Tuesday, June 21

At 9:40 a.m. Deputy Mike Parshall responded to the Intervale Road for a report of a white, powdery substance on the road, possibly fertilizer or lime.

Oxford County Jail:

(Bethel region)

June 19, 11:02 p.m.: Daniel L. Paine, 53, of Woodstock, criminal threatening, by N. Bowie in Woodstock.

June 20, 9 p.m.: Caleb D. Hurd, 20, of Greenwood, OUI; by Deputy Dennis Ryder in Bethel.

Bethel

By DON BENNETT



Town Meeting

Bethel's Town Meeting on Wednesday, June 15, was attended by 62 voters and lasted 38 minutes. All articles passed as recommended by the Board of Selectmen. The new Board for FY 2012 is: Stan Howe, chair; Robert Everett, vice chair; Donald G. Bennett, Patricia Carter and Lloyd Sweetser. Harry Dresser moderated the meeting.

Top two issues up for vote were on the "Bingham Land" and a bond issue for capital improvements to the town sewer system.

Article 3 read: Shall the Town vote to approve a Consent Agreement entered into with the Maine State Attorney General's Office transferring the ownership of the so called Bingham Land from the Bethel Water District to the Town of Bethel with certain restrictions.

Voters approved the article but the article did not mention that the Bingham Land is in Newry and the BWD pays annual property taxes on it.

The second special article in this year's town meeting warrant read as follows:

Article 4:

To see if the Town will vote to approve capital improvement projects consisting of the replacement of the Vernon Street pump station, replacement of a Sludge Tank liner, replacement of the Blower Building Deck, and potential land purchase for a sum not to exceed \$800,000; to fund the capital improvement project, to authorize the Treasurer and the Chairperson of the Board of Selectmen to issue general obligation securities of the Town of Bethel (including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof) in



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an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$800,000; and to delegate to the Treasurer and the Chairperson of the Board of Selectmen the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), interest rate(s), denomination(s), place(s) of payment, form and other detail of said securities, including execution and delivery of said security(ies) and to provide for the sale thereof.

Manzer Appeal Hearing

Friday afternoon, June 17, Bethel Board of Appeals heard and ruled on Mr. Bruce Manzer's appeal of the Planning Board decision to not approve a site plan for operation of an asphalt plant on the North Road. The Board upheld the Planning Board decision of April 13, 2011. Thirty-eight members of the public and associated officials filled the hearing room.

Board members present to hear the case were: Chairman Michael J. O'Donnell, Wende Gray, Scott Gould, Lennie Shaw, Vicki Rackliffe and At-

torney Phil Saucier, town attorney. Chairman O'Donnell recused himself for reason of possible impartiality and Wende Gray chaired the hearing. Factors for appeal were compliance with the Site Plan Review ordinance by the Planning Board's process and a reasonable person's comprehension of the operating environment of Mr. Manzer's asphalt plant.

These two points were reaffirmed by Atty. Saucier. The appellant could not introduce new evidence.

Mr. Manzer's basis for appeal did not address the two elements of the Planning Board's decision. The Board of Appeals voted to uphold the Planning Board decision.

Although Wende Gray and

Lennie Shaw commented on the odor restrictions defined in the town ordinance, these comments were immaterial to the hearing as the town Site Plan Review ordinance had been approved by Bethel voters as the "law of the land" in Bethel's Code.

Town Reports

Who will look after the town's new property?

Conservation work to be done in and supervision of the "Bingham Land" deed restrictions will fall to the Bethel Conservation Commission. Members are: Jarrod Crockett, Jacquelyn K. Cressy, Jessie Seymour Perkins, Kathleen Ford and Landon Fake.

This commission's report in the latest town report

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Bethel Conservation Commission

"As in previous years, the BCC continued its various projects to include: maintaining the Mount Will trail and its Extension Trail leading to the Androscoggin; maintaining and refreshing the special plantings at points along the Bethel Pathway; monitoring the management of the Bethel Town Forest; and providing assistance at the annual Hazardous Household Waste Collection Day.

"The members of the Commission were available to advise the town and members of the community regarding street tree pruning, removal, and replacement. They also provided information regarding the use of native plants and eradication of invasive species. J. Cressy, representing the Commission, served as an adviser to the GETWET project carried out by Telstar High School students in November of 2009. This project involved testing of local water sources for various characteristics. BCC members J. Cressy and K. Ford also advised on the development of rain gardens required around the skateboard park, and assisted with the planting.

"The BCC continued as a member of the Maine Association of Conservation Commissions (MECC). Members of the Conservation Commission for at least part of the time during this period included: David DeGruttola, Don Murphy, Jackie Cressy, Dean Walker, and Kathy Ford. (New members are appointed by the Selectmen and usually begin their terms in January.

any. Anyone wishing to serve on the Commission is welcome to fill out an application available from the Town Office staff." Respectfully submitted, Jackie Cressy

Minutes from the June 6 meeting of the Board of Selectmen's meeting are online at the Town of Bethel Website.

Excerpts from the minutes are printed below:

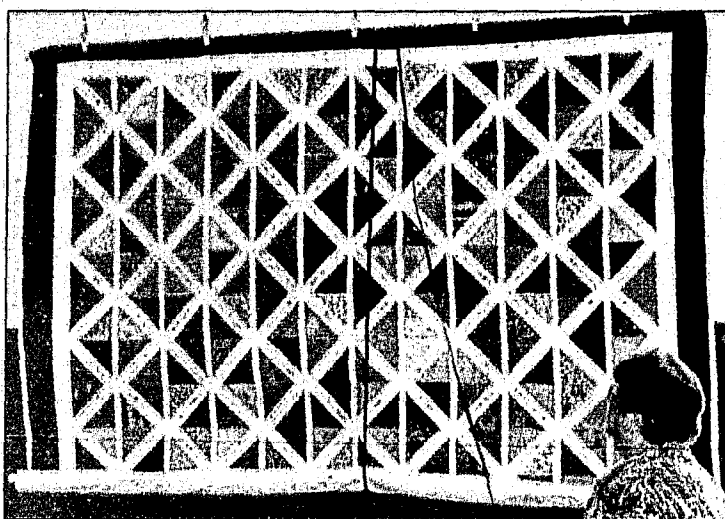
Sheriff Gallant was in to update the board on his department's activity in Bethel over the past year. Both parties agreed that the new arrangement was working well.

The board reviewed the bids received for the tax-acquired property located at 37 Balsam Road. Dennis Doyon moved, Robert Everett seconded to award the bid for property located on Map 15 Lot 16-25 and Map 15 Lot 16-26 to David North for a bid of \$101,300. If for some reason the bid is not executed then the town will automatically award the bid to Ron Savage for \$87,947. All were in favor.

Dennis Doyon moved, Robert Everett seconded to award the bid for property located on Map 15 Lot 16-024 to Ron Savage for a bid of \$8,000. All were in favor.

Manager Doar informed the board that all bidders have thirty days to execute their bid.

Manager Doar discussed with the board the disposition of firearms discovered in the tax-acquired property located at 37 Balsam Road. Jack Cross moved, Don Bennett seconded to authorize Manager Doar to sell the firearms to a licensed firearms dealer. All were in favor.



GILEAD QUILT UNVEILING—A Memory Quilt was unveiled at Saturday's Friends and Family Day in Gilead. At right is Lin Chapman of the Gilead Historical Society. Squares were sold to help raise money for the town's Building Fund, for improvements to the school and train station buildings that were recently moved to a site next to the Town Hall. About \$700 was raised. The quilt will be on display July 1 at the Middle Intervale Meeting House (Bethel) Quilt Show, and later at the Gilead school.

(Photo: Mary Tyler)

The next meeting of the Board of Selectmen was scheduled for June 20 at 7 p.m.

Main items for discussion are:

Update on Bog Brook Activities by Col. Jeff Morton

Report on Law Enforcement Activities - Sheriff Wayne Gallant

Town Financial Reports

Meeting Schedule for July - December

Concealed Weapons Permit application

Bike Trek across Maine

Jan Stowell and Ginny Gamble joined the starting send-off crowd at South Ridge. Jan reported the LL Bean trek group had 140 riders. Friday morning sunshine blessed the riders with excellent mountain Maine air.

Jan also reported however that there was concern by the Lung association and the riders over talk by Maine Republicans of reducing air quality standards. Jan emailed "We need to ask our Senators Snow and Collins to support the Clean Air Act. The Republicans are trying to dilute it as well as the Clean Water Act."

Down at the Sunday River Road - Route 2 intersection, Oxford County Sheriff deputies were ensuring that riders could get onto the highway safely. Nevertheless, one driver, even after being given the Stop signal by a sheriff, kept creeping up to the bikers pedaling into the main road. The sheriff walked over to the car and smacked the hood with his hand - telling the driver that his hand signal to stop meant STOP.

Sunday River Road reconstruction begins

At Wednesday's town meeting, Mike Roderick told me that work on the Sunday River Road had begun. In the town's 1998 Comprehensive Plan, page 48 of Section 1

listed High Level of Accident Locations 1994-1996. The piece of road with the highest level of accidents was the Sunday River Road from Martin's Lane to the Newry town line. 17 accidents.

Some of the preliminary work is shown in the photos (see online Bethel News for this week) as well as a photo of Dennis Wilson and the MDOT supervisor, Nillo Sillanpaa.

At Davis Park - Bethel Public Works has been widening the parking areas at Davis Park and wooden guard rails have been installed to provide added safety for youngsters in the playground.

Historical Society Lecture

"From Bethel to Norway via the Congo" Margaret Tibbetts and U.S. Foreign Relations, 1949-1964 by Andrew DeRoche. American University of Boulder, Colo.

Besides knowing his subject well, Andrew DeRoche, Ph.D., gave his audience of nearly 40 an interesting, well researched and very well delivered talk a remarkable career achievement by a Bethel native.

Dr. DeRoche more than qualifies as a specialist in US African affairs and foreign policy. One of the more interesting aspects in telling of Miss Tibbetts posting from London to various African Foreign Service assignments had to do with her meeting Congresswoman Frances Payne Bingham Bolton, William Bingham II's sister. (Mr. Bingham died in February 1955.)

Their meeting took place in 1955 in Central Africa while Congresswoman Bolton was on a self-paid tour of the continent. Mrs. Bolton after visiting with Margaret wrote a letter to Margaret's father, Dr. Tibbetts, in Bethel telling her parents that Margaret was doing very well in the Congo.

From 1964 to 1969 she was appointed by President Lyndon B. Johnson to serve as American Ambassador in Oslo, Norway. She was the ranking woman Foreign Service Officer in charge of negotiation of military bases and atomic weapons agreements. As Ambassador she escorted Martin Luther King, Jr. and his family when he received the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo in 1964.

Margaret Tibbetts retired in 1971 to come home and care for her mother. One must wonder what she thought of living in Bethel again.

Coming Events

June 25 at Telstar

The Rotary Club of Bethel will be sponsoring its 24th Annual Yard Sale and Auction, Saturday, June 25 at Telstar High School. The Yard Sale begins at 8 a.m. and continues throughout the day. Preview for the auction starts at 5:30 p.m., followed by the auction at 6:30 p.m. sharp. Proceeds benefit the club's community projects and scholarships. The club was a major contributor to the Davis Park playground and skateboard park. Businesses or individuals interested in making a donation to this worthwhile event are encouraged to send their contribution to the Bethel Rotary, PO Box 471, Bethel, ME 04217. Individuals wishing to donate items to the auction may call to arrange for pick up at 653-9297. Dave Murphy, Superintendent, SAD 44 once again will serve as the auctioneer.

June 26 - 2:30 to 4:30 at the Funky Red Barn - Dr. Jim Hudson will be back for a visit and say Hello.

Opening June 24 at Sunday River the Chondola will operate Friday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. from June 24 through Oct. 9,

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plus the 4th of July, Labor Day (09/05/2011) and Columbus Day (10/10/2011). While at North Peak, visitors can walk around and take in the views, explore the mountain on our network of hiking trails, hunt for hidden treasure with Sunday River's geocaching program, enjoy a picnic from their backpack, or pick up lunch at the Peak Lodge, open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (We have definitely enjoyed our Chondola trips, the view and the walks.)

July 2 Bethel Art Fairs
Salon des Commomers Saturday, July 2, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Salon des Refuses a.k.a. Shy, Closeted and Novice art exhibit. (from a notice posted on the Bethel Shop and Save BB) Saturday, July 2 Janet Willie's home on High Street. This showing has proven to be more in line with traditional art shows of Bethel. Don't miss it.

July 14 at Sunday River New England Forest Rally is back again for its 20th running in Maine this July 14-17, 2011! Headquartered at Sunday River Resort in Newry this action-packed event is free to the public with spectator friendly race stages located from Western Maine to Northern New Hampshire.

The History Club
Using History - For Fun and Profit

Boston Globe opinion writer Jeff Jacoby headlined his Sunday column, "Don't know much about history." He went on to point out the overall drop in knowledge of historical events by today's students. Recently another writer took a similar channel of criticism when he noted that a student working for a degree in Business Administration asked "Why do I have to read this book?"

Time after time in Bethel the subject of economic development comes up. How can we improve our economy, get more jobs, etc? Many newcomers have no real idea of the economic playing field that has existed for the area and still does. What you see is what there is? Well, hardly.

So history is not just a general knowledge of names, places and dates. History has two parts: one is broad, liberal, curiosity of a general nature; number two is specific research to form a useful detailed picture, not just an impression, of the full background of your interest or focus.

Mr. Jacoby's column pointed to a National History Club that was launched by a former history teacher in Massachusetts to encourage middle and high school students to "read, write, discuss and

enjoy history." Started in 2002 it claims chapters in 43 states, involving more than 12,000 students.

Our tiny history club is made up of people who enjoy history and readily offer our services to those doing basic research about the area.

This week's question came from a business source looking to find out more information about one of the historic houses in Bethel. While history may not sell real estate, it can help. The answers came from a variety of books, photographs and newspapers with additional information from cemetery records and plain old-fashioned oral history.

In history, just like in everyday life, a picture can be worth a thousand words. How many people in Bethel today have seen the original satellite earth station that was constructed in Andover to communicate with the Telstar satellite?

Two photos from Album 15 of the BHS photo collection show first the dome "cannvas" being put in place; and the second photo shows the finished inflated "bubble." If you are looking for an old photo or, like in this case, images of recent history, a Thursday afternoon visit to the historical society's Moses Mason Research Library may be worth your while.

From Nancy Brown:
Thank you, Don Bennett, for reading and commenting on my story that was printed in WORK magazine.

The Rotary Club Annual Yard Sale and Auction is Saturday, June 25, at Telstar High School. The yard sale begins at 8 a.m. The auction preview is at 5:30 p.m., followed by the auction at 6:30 p.m. There are three great reasons to go to the Rotary sale. 1) This is one of Bethel's best treasure hunts, where anything can pop up, including vintage furniture, games, toys, dishes, crystal wine glasses, bicycles, boats, and wood stoves. 2) Unlike most yard sales, there is plenty of free parking. 3) The money raised benefits the Rotary's work in our community.

There is another fundraising event this weekend that needs our help. June is Adopt a Shelter Cat Month and Responsible Pet Care Feline Shelter and Adoption Center is holding a "Kitten Shower" on June 25 and 26 from noon to 4 p.m. The shelter is located at 132 Waterford Road in Norway. During the shower, people can visit and adopt kittens and adult felines. There will be door prizes, a raffle, and refreshments. The shelter is suggesting shower gifts of Purina Kitten Chow, cat toys, baby blankets, canned kitten food, bleach, paper towels, laundry soap, money for medical needs, and anything that will help care for the



FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR—Andy Whitney (right) was presented the Fire Fighter of the Year Award from the American Legion at its 93th Convention, held in Bangor last weekend. Whitney, a member of the Bethel Fire Department, was recognized for his rescue last summer of Millie Jackson from her car after she went off Route 26 into Round Pond in Greenwood. (Submitted photo)

cats and kittens. If weather permits, there will be a drive thru outside express donation station. Responsible Pet Care provides an invaluable service to Oxford County. It is a no-kill shelter and adoption center that provides care for an average of 375 cats and kittens each year.

June is egg-laying season for Maine's turtles. Many of them lay their eggs in the soft soil along roadways or banks. In the past week I have seen three large turtles attempting to cross Route 2 and Route 26. Please watch out for them. Both Blanding's turtle and the spotted turtle are threatened with extinction because roadways have interfered with their habitats. Even though spotted turtles may live to be 75 years old, their hatching rate is very low. Maine Audubon has initiated Wildlife Road Watch and is seeking "Adopt a Road" volunteers to record observations of any wildlife attempting to cross roadways.

Maine Audubon, state agencies, and researchers will use the information gathered to improve understanding of where wildlife try to cross roads and what we can do to reduce road-kill and increase safety for people and wildlife. To participate or for more information, go to www.maineaudubon.org/wildliferoadwatch. Do you have news that you'd like to share? Please send it to nancybrown1150@yahoo.com or call me at 824-2483.

West Bethel

By LORRIE HOEH



West Bethel news (omitted last week)

As you read this, the sun may have finally come out for this

week, but as I write, it's the third or fourth day of gray clouds, passing showers or misting, and cool temperatures. However, the vegetable garden seems quite happy. The peas have extended their tendrils to the chicken-wire trellis; the pole beans have almost reached their trellis; the bush beans look very healthy; the kohlrabi crops are prospering; and the tomatoes are growing taller by the day.

In addition, we see lots of cherries forming on the sweet cherry tree, and several teeny peaches developing on the new peach tree. The peach was a gift for Mike's 80th birthday last summer, and we were most anxious to see what it would do this year. It's supposed to be hardy for this climate.

We're also seeing irises opening up, just as the rhododendrons have finished their bloom. Before long the daylilies

will also be starting their display. We mulched the flower beds with bark mulch, so they're looking quite neat right now.

A note with photo from Jennifer at South Arm indicates that she may have a red-bellied woodpecker in her garden. We're working on a final identification.

Speaking of birds, our two tube feeders disappeared on Saturday night, the work of the neighborhood bear. It must be a big one, because it had to reach pretty high to yank them off their hooks. We did find one of the feeders in the shrubbery along Paradise Road, but the other is still among the lost. We had been taking the feeders in each night but decided that bear danger was past sometime last week. Not! Sunday morning Mike asked, "Did you take the feeders in last night?" "No," said I as I looked out the window and saw the hooks straightened out and no feeders in sight. Lesson learned.

Saturday morning I attended a brunch held at Susan and Scott Parker's home, their way of thanking those who volunteered at the library plant sale. The sale was successful, and the brunch was sumptuous, as always. While we enjoyed our omelets, bacon, fresh fruit, and mimosas, we discussed the sale and what we might do to make it even better next year. If any of you have any ideas for improvement, do get in touch with Susan Parker (824-4767) or Susan Day (824-2741) and tell them your ideas. Thanks to all of you who patronized the sale, and happy gardening. The library appreciates your participation.

Once again, Music Without Borders will be coming to Bethel, from June 29 to July 19. Dr. Tamara Poddubnaya will be bringing her international piano students to our town to study and perform during the three-week festival. It's a wonderful time for us in the Bethel area, with performances by these talented young people three or more times a week. Mark your calendars now.

On Friday of last week the Mini Relay for Life took place at the Telstar track and trail (which connects with the Davis Park trail), and there was a good turnout. When I stopped there to make my contribution, there were at least fifty people walking around the track, and I think many more came and went as the day progressed. The whole affair was to raise money to fight can-

cer and was dedicated to the memory of Nancy Young, long-time beloved school secretary who died of cancer.

Last week I stopped at the former Hoehstead to visit with the new owners, Stacy and Brad Standley, and marvel at all the changes they've made to the house and grounds. Their horses will be arriving soon to take up residence in the refurbished small barn. Stacy and Brad look forward to riding in the National Forest. Special thanks to them for sharing some asparagus from the garden we had planted a hundred years ago. We enjoyed it immensely!

The school year ended yesterday. "No more pencils, no more books..." Now it's time for summer jobs, camp, hanging out at the swimming hole, and all those wonderful, lazy, hazy days of summer. May it be a safe and enjoyable one. dhoch@megalink.net; 824-2917.

June 23 news

We have had a stretch of warm, sunny days, with only an occasional thunderstorm or shower. Of course, the last thunderstorm was a wower, dropping hailstones on some parts of Bethel and sporting very high winds. Our full rain barrel was overturned in the wind. By the time you read this, it will be raining again.

The Trek to the Sea, a fundraiser for the American Lung Association, was last weekend. Chris Trefethen of the Flat Road was a participant. We hope she had a trouble-free ride. Chris has family members with lung problems, so it was a labor of love for her to complete the trek.

With all the rain that has cumulatively fallen this spring (and now summer), gardens are going great guns. Every day there is a new bloom in the flower garden, and the vegetables are growing apace. The peas have started to climb their trellis, and the bush beans are on the cusp of climbing. We have been able to harvest some early lettuce and are waiting for our first ripe strawberry.

The raspberry patch is small, but there appear to be quite a few berries forming. Our little peach tree has peaches on it, albeit quite small ones - maybe a half inch in diameter. Still... The pears and cherries are there, but many of them seem to be afflicted by some blight, so the harvest doesn't look to be very good.

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day on the 10th of June, and we forgot all about it until five days later. Of course, he can't read the calendar, so he was just as happy to get his birthday good wishes any time they came along. He has now surpassed both of us in age, measuring his dog years as equivalent to 84 of ours. In spite of a gray muzzle and gray eye rings, the old boy is in excellent shape. All those walks over the years have served to keep him spry and healthy. Here's hoping he has a few more years left.

Some glitch prevented this column from appearing last week, so the June 16 installment is appearing this week, along with the June 23 one. Stuff happens.

To those of you planning vacations this summer, I wish you fair weather and safe travel. To those expecting guests, the fair weather wish is for you as well. And may your guests be enchanted by our beautiful part of the world.

I await your news so that I will have something to write about next week. You can

reach me at dhoeh@megalink.net or 824-2917. Ciao!

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



Activity at the Town Hall on Depot Street was really busy this past week. The Gilead Historical Society was getting ready for Friends and Family Day on Saturday, June 18. While things were busy at the Hall, the railroad was finishing packing up and moving out the rest of their equipment that had been on the siding for the past few days and Dave Berry and his

crew were busy working on the roof of the train station.

My brother, Steve McLain, brought up some pepper plants for our garden when he came up on Friday to help get ready for Friends and Family Day. Happy Birthday wishes go out to him on the 27th.

Planning Board

The Planning Board will meet on Thursday, June 23 (tonight) at 7 p.m. at the Town Office.

Gilead Historical Society

The GHS put on their annual community event last Saturday, June 18. Olson's Tent Rentals arrived earlier in the week and set up the big tent to be ready for the band. On Friday, several members got together to set up displays in

the Town Hall and make the schoolhouse and train station presentable. Thanks to Bob and Judy Bishop, Steve McLain, Norm Buttrick, Tammy MacDormand, Sandra Laughy, Mary Tyler, Tim Chapman and daughter, Sidney Chapman, and Hugh and Lin Chapman for their help getting set up. Saturday morning brought rain until about 10 a.m. and then the day cleared off and stayed clear until the end of the day when a thundershower arrived that produced some hail. There were over a hundred people who stopped by the Hall and signed in the guest book.

The judges (Norm Buttrick, Fran Head, Maureen Swain) were set up in front of the Hall to watch the parade and pick their favorites. The parade was led by two Union soldiers (Stephen Seames and Hugh

Chapman) dressed in Civil War uniforms. The first-place ribbon went to Jakob Hooper, second place to Octavia Hooper and Riley Bishop received the third place ribbon. Bobo T. Clown entertained the children after the parade and the Gilead Fire Department put on an extrication demonstration at the fire department.

At noon, there was a presentation in the Town Hall. Stephen Seames spoke and introduced the representatives from the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel, The Rev. Virginia Rickeman and Ted Davis. They were returning the Bible that had been at their church for safe keeping since the old Gilead church was torn down. Members of the GHS (Hugh and Lin Chapman, Bob and Judy Bishop, Tammy Mac-

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Dormand) gratefully accepted the Bible and everyone is extremely pleased that it has made the return journey back to Gilead.

This ceremony was followed by the unveiling of the Memory Quilt. It is beautiful! Thanks to the creativity of Linda Taylor for coming up with this idea and supplying the quilt squares to sell. Also, for donating her time sewing these squares together into a beautiful quilt to be treasured for years to come. The GHS also wants to thank Kathy Thrall of the Inn at The Rostay and Quilt Shop in Bethel, as she generously donated her services of machine quilting the quilt for us. This project has been a great fundraiser for the building fund.

At 1 p.m. the 12th NHV Regiment Serenade Band performed under the big tent. The group that gathered to listen to them enjoyed the music the band played and their explanations about the songs and the instruments that they were playing. Everyone agreed that they were an excellent band and would like to hear them again.

Thanks to the Bethel Historical Society, Randall Bennett and Stanley Howe, for loaning the GHS some items that added to the presentation of the Bible. They loaned us a set of original pews that came from the Gilead church. They have the organ that was in the church in their collection, but loaned us the organ that used to belong to Edith 'Cole' Quimby.

Thanks to Lise McLain for donating five beautiful necklaces for the GHS to raffle off to make money for the building fund. The winners were Beverley Corriveau, Bethany Corriveau, Danika Daniels, Barbara Stewart and Andre Dupont.

Also, thanks to the members who made all the delicious baked goods to sell to help fund Friends and Family Day. There were several people who generously added to the Donation Box that was set up to help with restoration of the buildings.

Welcome to the new members who joined the GHS last Saturday. They are Wayne and Linda Taylor and their daughter, Alicia McLean, and her daughter, Morgan McLean.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



Here we go, finally some beautiful weather! Now, if the bugs weren't so thick, then it would be perfect.

Sunday, there was a big family Father's Day cookout at the Walker's for Donald Walker, who was also the cook. Joining Donald in the fun were: Teresa, Nicena, Bryce, Nathan, Whitney, Brady, Brennan, Bryson, Ruby Coolidge and Derick Poland. On Monday, they all went to Brewer, Maine, to watch Nicena play with the Rebels in the State Championship. Word spread fast that our girls won 7-0. Way to go, Nicena and the Rebels! We are all happy for you and proud of you.

The Alder River Grange had its open meeting on June 10 with Worthy State Master James Owen filling the Master Chair. The Community Service Award was presented to Jack and Lucy Nordahl. Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served after the presentation. The regular meeting of the Alder River Grange will be held on July 8 for the election of Officers.

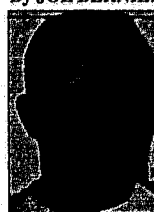
I am sure there were many more cookouts on Father's Day, which I would love to hear about. So, call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net.

Last week I forgot to mention that on June 10 we celebrated my granddaughter Hayli's 8th birthday. The lucky girl ended up with two cakes and a party, as on the 10th her Uncle, Bob Hannigan, came to celebrate their mutual birthday. Then on Saturday her Grammie, Auntie Tanya, and some of her friends from school were here.

Enjoy this beautiful weather.

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



The Upton Ladies Aid is having workshop meetings at Leslie's house Thursday evenings. They are working on a quilt that they intend to raffle off. The quilt is a Dresden pattern. Their last breakfast for the season will be next Sunday, June 26. The Ladies Aid is renting space to craftspeople and vendors (\$10 per space) for Upton Fun Day, August 20. To reserve your space or for more information call Charlotte at 533-2061, or e-mail her at pepidom@megalink.net.

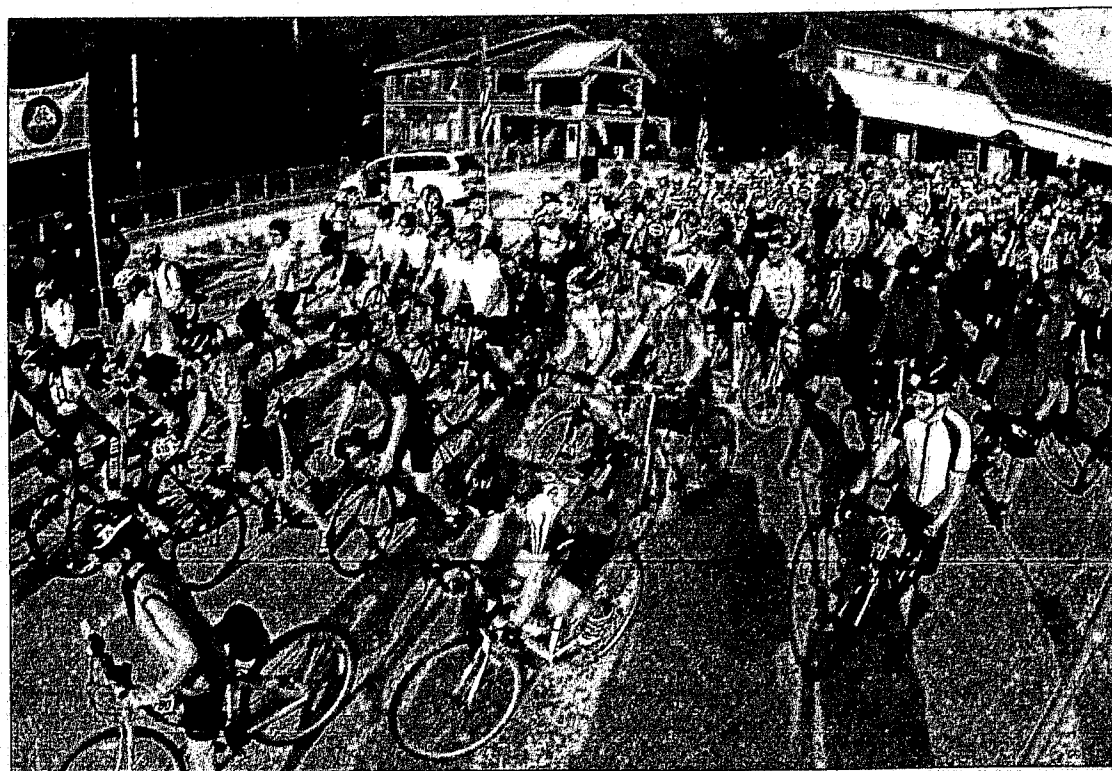
Windsong Cabins held a memorial in honor of Fred Bilodeau and to celebrate his life. Jeff Scribner flew over in tribute. The event was well attended.

The Historical Society had their monthly meeting Sunday at the school. They discussed their plans for Upton

Fun Day. They intend to sell fried chicken and water. Author, Randall Probert, is expected to be there to sign and sell his books. The society also plans to sell tickets for a guided tour of the Louise Dickinson Rich houses. The society plans to have some of their items on display downstairs in the school and of course the upstairs will be open to the public.

The Upton Union Church began holding services on June 5 at 5 p.m. Reverend Jane Rich from Andover Congregational Church U.C.C. is serving at summer supply for this year. Volunteers from the Andover Church helped to provide music. Communion Sundays will be the second Sunday of the month.

The Upton House will have its annual charity yard sale, in memory of Jeannette Belisle Gravel. The proceeds will go to Haiti missions. Upton House will be joined by others, sharing their arts, crafts, and good-



READY TO ROLL—On Friday 1,914 riders set off on the annual Trek Across Maine cycling fundraiser for the American Lung Association. The three-day ride ended in Belfast and raised \$1.8 million. Here, the first wave of cyclists wait for the start signal in front of the South Ridge Lodge at Sunday River Ski Resort. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

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ies. Norm and Nancy Beauvoir of Albany Township will have tables. Anyone who would like to bring a table and items is welcome to join us on Friday and Saturday, July 8 and 9, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Upton House will be available for setup on Thursday, July 7, for any who would like to be ready in advance.

For more information call Charlotte At 207-533-2061 or e-mail at pepidom@megalink.net. Contact me with your news at 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.net.

Andover

By JANE KUCH



The Andover Educational Fund reminds all college students wishing to apply for the Cutting Endowment that the deadline for applications is July 1. Applications postmarked after that date will not be considered. So don't miss this opportunity for financial help with college expenses. The Ed Fund has also received a gift of art work from Diana Wells Jackson, a former Andover resident and alumni. News of disposition of this art work will appear at a later date.

Angelo Kalstos, former chair of the photography contest on Olde Home Day, who is helping co-ordinate the event for this year, is looking for "monitors" for the display. The monitor position helps assure that photographs will not be tampered with during the show. If you have

an hour to give on Olde Home Day to this event, your services are greatly needed and desired. The show along with the flower show opens at 11 a.m. following the parade and closes at 4 p.m. Angelo and the Olde Home Day Committee are still looking for someone to take over the chairmanship of the photography contest.

285 voters cast their opinion in the election held on Thursday regarding the closure of the Andover Elementary School. The question was do you support the closure of the school. The final tally was 56 yes and 229 no votes. The next vote of interest in SAD 44 is the approval of the school budget for 2011-12 which will take place on Tuesday, June 28. Voting hours at the Town Hall, here, will be from 4 to 8 p.m.

Now that school is over and July is fast approaching, people are moving to their camps for the summer and our summer population from south is arriving. We welcome all of our returning friends.

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



The storage building purchased by Gardner Roberts Memorial Library was delivered last week. The

8 x 12 foot structure fits nicely behind the library building and is barely visible from the street.

The referendum vote for the RSU 10 Western Foothills School District was Tuesday, June 14. Sixteen voters from Hanover managed to make it to the ballot box at the Hanover Town Office resulting in

"SKYFIELDS, GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN," the poster art for the 2011 Bethel Art Fair, is Jewel Clark's rendition of a well-known old Bethel home- stead once owned by the late Beckie and Bruce Bailey. The painting is available as a 17 x 22 inch print, sold through Artistic Endeavors, on Route 2 in Bethel.



a total vote of 16 in favor of the budget and no one opposed. In all the school district's towns the budget was validated with a two-to-one margin.

At the Rumford Grange meeting last Saturday election of officers took place with all officers remaining in the same positions. During the meeting members discussed the upcoming "Citizen of the Year" award in July. Also planned in July is another Sunday public dinner.

Shawnee and Makala, the twins, came to visit with their parents, Brian and Sara, on Saturday. The twins had co-erced their mother into getting a cake. That cake became a bedtime snack. There was some left over so guess what? The three and one-half year old girls had cake for breakfast on Sunday before going to Mount Blue State Park for free State Park Day.

A timely reminder: 2010 taxes

are due by June 30. Property owners' with taxes unpaid by then face the possibility of tax liens and additional fees.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



You've heard that old saying, "What goes up must come down?" Well, last weekend that did not hold true for me. I delivered two loads of firewood to neighbors Doug and Sue Ellen. After I dumped the second load, the dump trailer bed would not come down, even when I hung on it as I pushed the "down" button on the dump control. I decided to take the "up trailer" down the road to nephew Dan Grover's because he is good at fixing most anything.

We started by taking the solenoid (that opens a valve to let the hydraulic oil flow out of the cylinder to the tank) out to see if there was a blockage. Nope. Next, we disconnected the hose from the dump cylinder. It still would not come down, and no oil drained from the cylinder!

Next, we removed the hydraulic cylinder. No easy task because we had to cut off the split pins holding the pivot pins on both ends of the cylinder because we didn't have the right size steel punch. After we got the cylinder out of the trailer, we had to use Dan's tractor bucket to force the cylinder plunger down enough to shorten the cylinder enough to handle it easier. After that, I phoned Kelley's Auto Parts to see if they knew who could fix a cylinder. They gave me the name of a fellow to call; this person told me to try Mountain Fluid Power in Auburn.

If you ever need a hydraulic cylinder fixed, call them. I left the cylinder there on Monday morning, June 13, and they phoned me Wednesday to tell me it was ready for pickup. Oddly, they found that the bushing on the cylinder piston shaft was too tight, even though I have been using the trailer for hauling firewood about 8 or 10 years! It seems to work good now that they replaced the bushing and all seals.

Mona and I left home before noon on Wednesday, June 15, to drive, with camper, to the Bangor Civic Center, where the American Legion State convention was held Friday and Saturday. The 40 and 8 convention convened in Bangor on Thursday, the 17th, so we made a week of it. Daughter Katrina said she would take care of Shiloh any time we wanted to travel, so we left him with her and her dog Lilly. We warned Kate that Shiloh usually wakes us up by 5 a.m.!

We had taken Shiloh to the vet to be "fixed" on Friday, June 10, but that didn't slow him down much.

He immediately fell in love with Lilly, and he pestered her (if you get my drift) the whole three days and nights, we were away! When we returned Saturday afternoon to pick Shiloh up, he was still following Lilly's every move. He showed his affection in an unusual way; he kept nuzzling her neck and gently pulling the thick curly hair there! (sometimes not so gently).

We had to drag him out of the house on a leash. Since we got home, he has been quite meek and well-mannered, back to his old self!

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Community Calendar

Bethel Farmers Market open Saturdays through Oct. 9 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. rain or shine at Norway Savings Bank. FMI: 890-6859 or bethelfarmersmarket.com.

Every Tuesday

5:30 p.m. - **Western Maine Velo Club Rides.** Meet at Bethel Bicycle, Route 2 (53 Mayville Road, Bethel). Helmets required, observation of "Rules of the Road" adhered to. Non-competitive. Mileage varies 15 to 40 miles.

Sundays thru Labor Day

12 Noon to 6 p.m. - **Free Country, Bluegrass, gospel jam sessions** at Countryfolk Music Theatre, Route 2, East Dixfield. FMI: 645-4411.

Harvest Gold Gallery, Route 5, Center Lovell, presents new series of paintings by French decent artist Pascale Judet. FMI: 925-6502 or visit www.harvestgoldgallery.com

Thursday, June 23

River Valley Baseball League start-up and play in July at Hosmer Field, Rumford. Open to anyone high school age and up. FMI or sign up: Steve LaPointe at lapointe50@roadrunner.com or slapointe@rsul0.org after June 25 call 357-2944. Small fee to participate.

7 p.m. - **Waterford Memorial Library** Sheena Fraser Lecture by Ruth Copeman, executive director McLaughlin Garden, South Paris. Talk: "The Photographic Strength of Flowers." Free and public invited. FMI: 583-2050.

June 23-26

8 p.m. (Sunday matinees 2 p.m.) - **Oxford Hills Music and Performing Arts Association** presents Ken Ludwig's "Lend Me a Tenor" at Norway Grange, Whitman Street, Norway, sponsored by Grover Gundrilling. Tickets: \$5 opening night, adults \$10/seniors \$8 available at Books 'n Things, Main Street, Norway. FMI: www.ohmpaa.com

Moore Park Art Show, South Paris, seeking fine artist and artisan exhibitors, food vendors and community groups for Saturday, Aug. 13 (rain date Aug. 14) Art Show. FMI: www.MooreParkArtShow.org or call 890-5399 or e-mail mooreparkart@gmail.com

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, June 23, 24, 25

Standish Summer Spectacular honors Steep Falls, Standish Corner and Sebago Lake Station. FMI: 807-5666 or e-mail allenmains@roadrunner.com or Linda Brooks standishrec@roadrunner.com

Friday, June 24

Bike Park opens at Sunday River. FMI: www.sundayriver.com

10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - **Triad Senior Picnic**, sponsored by Oxford County Sheriff's Office at Fryeburg Fair Grounds. Coffee, donuts, lunch - hamburgers/hot dogs, chips, coleslaw, ice cream, cookies, water, iced tea. Information booths, live music, 50/50 raffle, Chinese auction, donation jar, door prizes, book, puzzle, fudge sale. Proceeds: seniors future events.

7 p.m. - **Open Mic Night** with Mary Christine Hargreaves guest host at First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street, Nor-

way. 6:30 sign up. FMI: (603) 733-6350.

7 p.m. - **Oxford Historical Society** meeting at Kay House Museum, Pleasant Street, Oxford. FMI: Linda Hooker 539-4572.

Saturday, June 25

8 a.m. - **Annual Yard Sale and Auction**, sponsored by Rotary Club of Bethel at Telstar High School. Auction preview 5:30 p.m. Auction 6:30 sharp. Anyone wishing to donate items call 653-9297 to arrange for pick up.

8 a.m. to 12 Noon - **Rummage/Food Sale** at Oxford Historical Society, Kay House Museum, Pleasant Street, Oxford. FMI: Linda Hooker 539-4572.

11 a.m. - **Maine Wildlife Park**, Gray, presents "Two," juggling show live. Displays of Longhorn and Lyme Disease beetles. FMI: 557-0118 or visit www.mefishwildlife.com.

5 to 7 p.m. - **Roast Pork Public Supper**, Masonic Building, Main Street, Route 26, Bryant Pond. Diabetic desserts available. Adults \$7/children 10 and under \$5. (Reservations for 8 or more) welcome (312-9197). Takeouts available. FMI: 744-9322 or 739-2268.

7 to 10 p.m. - **Jones Dance Band**, South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. \$5. Lunch counter open.

8 p.m. - **Celebration Barn Theater**, Route 117, Stock Farm Road, South Paris, presents The Yo Yo People. Doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$14 adults/\$12 seniors/\$8 students and kids. FMI or advance tickets: 743-8452 or visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

Sunday, June 26

4 to 6 p.m. - **Oxford County Democrats** meeting at Fare Share Common, Norway. FMI: Cathy Newell 875-2116 or www.oxforddems.org.

Monday, June 27

9 a.m. to 12 - **Give 'em the Pickle Customer Service Workshop**, South Paris, sponsored by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, Central Maine Community College, Maine Woods Consortium and Northern Forest Center. FMI or register: Maria Berriault 743-2281.

4 to 6 p.m. - **Diabetes Self Management Education** classes at Stephens Memorial Hospital Boardroom, Norway. Scholarships available. Refreshments. FMI/register: 744-6057.

Tuesday, June 28

9 a.m. to 12 - **Give 'em the Pickle Customer Service Workshop**, Rumford, sponsored by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, Central Maine Community College, Maine Woods Consortium and Northern Forest Center. FMI or register: Janet Brennick, Bangor Savings Bank 364-8122.

7:30 p.m. - **PORTopera Young Artists** perform "Cafe Vienna" live at Fryeburg Academy's Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$18 adults/\$16.20 seniors (65-plus) and students. FMI or tickets: 935-9232 or www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac.

Wednesday, June 29

Gorham, N.H., Carnival Midway opens w/concerts/entertainment. FMI: GorhamNH.org or gorhamnewhampshie.com

4:30 to 6:30 p.m. - **Community Supper** (no charge) Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road, across from Telstar parking lot). FMI: 824-2289.

June 29 thru July 19

Music Without Borders concerts (free) presented by Dr. Tamara Poddubnaya's international piano students at Gould Academy's Bingham Auditorium.

Friday and Saturday, July 1 and 2

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **19th Biennial Quilt Show** at Middle Intervale Meeting House, Intervale Road (off Route 26), Bethel, sponsored by Cross Country Quilters. Donations: \$5, children under 12 free. FMI: Kathy Thrall 824-3111 or info@rostay.com

Saturday, July 2

7:30 a.m. till sold out - **Strawberry Festival**, Locke Mills Union Church. Belgian waffles, shortcake, sundaes, strawberries, pies, baked goods, trinkets, treasures.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Shy, Novice and Closed Art Show** at 18 High Street, Bethel (directly behind Key Bank). FMI or participate: 824-3889.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Bethel Art Fair and ARTiondack Auction** on Bethel Common. Auction 2 p.m. at Gazebo. Left and phone bids accepted. Rain date: July 3. FMI: 835-3575.

Turkey Supper/Dance by Jones Dance Band, South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Supper 5-6 p.m. (\$7)/dance 6:30 p.m. (\$5).

5 p.m. - **Public Bean Hole Supper** at Blazing Star Lodge, Route 232, Rumford Corner. Adults \$7/under 12 \$3. Takeouts available. Stair chair back stairs. FMI: Joe Roy 364-4715.

Saturday, July 2

8 p.m. - **Celebration Barn Theater**, Route 117, Stock Farm Road, South Paris, presents "Mrs. Smith Goes to Washington." Doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$14 adults/\$12 seniors/\$8 students and kids. FMI or advance tickets: 743-8452 or visit www.CelebrationBarn.com.

Monday, July 4

8 a.m. to 12 noon - **Waterford Memorial Library Book Sale**. Hard cover books \$2, paperbacks \$1. Raffle tickets \$5 each/five for \$20 at library. FMI: 583-2050.

11:30 a.m. - **Fourth of July Community Picnic/Concert** on side lawn of Dr. Moses Mason House (14 Broad Street), Bethel. Bring lunch and enjoy two-hour concert by Portland Brass Quintet. Free. FMI: 824-2908 or e-mail info@bethelhistorical.org

9:15 p.m. - **Fireworks** at Hosmer Field complex, off Route 2, Rumford. Rain date Tuesday, July 5.

10 p.m. - **Gorham, N.H., Fireworks** at town common by town hall.

Tuesday, July 5 thru Sunday, July 10

11 a.m. - **Maine Wildlife Park**, Gray, presents "The Final Charge," display showing two bull moose with locked antlers. FMI: 557-0118 or visit www.mefishwildlife.com.

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Municipal

Bethel selectmen: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Planning Board: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Water District: Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Gilead Selectmen: Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office

Gilead Planning Board: First Thursdaysof the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Greenwood selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Hanover Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

Hanover Planning Board: First Wednesday of the month, 6 p.m.

Newry selectmen: First and third Mondays of the month, 4 p.m., Town Office.

Newry Planning Board: First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock selectmen: First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock Planning Board: First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office

SAD 44 School Board: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info).

Organizations

Bethel

First Sunday of month, 7 p.m.—**Bethel Snow Twisters** at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.—**Meditation** and more with Mountain Heart Sangha, mindfulness community practicing awareness, understanding, acceptance, harmony and love in tradition of Zen Buddhist Teacher Thich Nhat Hanh at Café DiCocoa. FMI: Cynthia Handlen 671-1532 or Cynthia.handlen@gmail.com. All welcome.

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.—**Story Hours** for children, Isabella's Sticky Buns Cafe (Main St.)

Wednesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.—**TOPS** at Bethel Alliance Church (weigh-in 5:30-6).

Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m.—**Story Time for Children** at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with Michele Perejda.

FMI: call 824-2520.

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m.—**Cross Country Quilters** of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p_quilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Thursdays, 1:30-3:30 p.m. — **Knitting Group** for all levels even those who want to learn, Isabella's Sticky Buns Cafe (Main St.)

Woodstock

Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m.—**Woodstock Historical Society** meeting at the Museum.

Norway/Paris

Mondays 6:30 p.m.—**Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus** rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005

Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m. **The Yet To be Named Banjo Club** practices Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680

Fridays 9:15 a.m.—**Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge**, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzzl16@myfairpoint.net.

SUPPORT SERVICES

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting. Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families

(ACOA or ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across from the Commons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI call 739-9115.

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4 pm, Thursday 4-6 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 369-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wednesday 3-8 p.m.; Friday 2-7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

MULTIPLE SERVICES

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

LIBRARY HOURS

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday 1:30-5; Thursday 1:30-7.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2. Patty Makley, Librarian. Tel: 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3; Thursday, 5-8; Saturday, 9-noon.

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel: 392-4841

Bethel Library: Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 am October to May. Tel: 824-2520.

Calendar items

may be brought to the Citizen office, e-mailed to news@bethelcitizen.com or faxed 824-2426

DEADLINE IS MONDAY AT NOON

Waterford

By Alice Hoyt



Summer is finally here. The weather has varied between hot and sunny and wet and muggy.

It is all part of the changing of the season. At least we don't get tornadoes and bad hurricanes this time of year. Last Saturday, we worked through two rain storms, but Dave and I missed the hail. We saw pictures of it on Becky's phone, but we were en route between Bethel and Waterford when it fell in Waterford and Norway. That's OK. We'll catch it next time.

By the time you read this, we will have stacked all our firewood for the year. Friend Jim came up and he and David did a marathon wood-stacking session. I helped with three or four pieces. In any case, we now have a much bigger front yard, but we are sharing it with the chickens who David has decided to let run free. There are only five of them so they don't do too much damage, yet. Our baby

chicks pulled a disappearing act the other day while we were out. Unfortunately, I believe someone stole them. There were no feathers and whomever it was left the big chickens, so we hardly think that it was an animal. It is sad to think that someone we know would do that! You know who you are, and I believe I do too; don't let us catch you.

Thursday, the 23rd at Waterford Library ACA will meet at 10 a.m.

Thursday evening, the 23rd, at 7 p.m., the 14th Annual Sheena Fraser Lecture by Ruth Copeman of the McLaughlin Gardens will give a talk on "Photographic Strength of Flowers" It is free and open to the public.

Friday, the 24th, is Open Mic Night at First Universalist Church in Norway. Mary Hargreaves will be the host. Sign up is at 6:30 and the festivities begin at 7 p.m. FMI call (603) 733-6360.

Saturday, the 25th, Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held from 8:30 to 11:30 at Norway Paris Solid Waste. It is open to all residents with a NPSW sticker. Coupons for ties, appliances, etc., can be picked

up at the Transfer Station. FMI call 743-8518.

Sunday, the 26th, Fare Share will hold a big meeting at the Commons. At 4 p.m. ALL member should attend. It is an important meeting. Sunday, the 26th, the Oxford County Democrats will be meeting at Norway Town Office at 4 p.m. FMI call Cathy Newell at 875-2116.

That is all for this week. Enjoy the first days of summer and don't forget your sunscreen and bug dope.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt



Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW met at the Grange Hall on Monday, June 13. Eight members were present. Elsie Bonney filled in as guide. Delegate and alternate were appointed for convention. Bessie House is delegate, Elena Noyes is alternate. Convention is June 25 at Waterville Grand Hotel formerly Holiday Inn on Main Street in Waterville. It was reported that Elsie Bonney, Sally Sawyer, Vicky Myers

and Jane Wardwell went to Norlands on June 4th to set up a table explaining our order. Several stopped by and they received some donations for our monument enlargement fund. July 2 at Yarmouth a Civil War veteran will be given a military headstone at the meeting house cemetery now called the Baptist Cemetery. Daughters were asked to attend if possible. Things were brought in for Ryan Reed's box. Twenty-two calls were reported and Michelle got the mystery package.

Remember if you want to join TOPS group of Take Off Pounds Sensibly for half price; time is running out. This deal ends on June 29. They meet each week on Wednesday evening from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Bethel Alliance Church. Price now \$13, after June 29th, \$26.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is prayer meeting. Ladies Luncheon at noon on Saturday, June 15. Church picnic is July 23. This is bring a friend day.

Sports

High School Varsity Softball

Telstar 7, Dexter 0; Class C State Championship, June 20—Telstar defeated a strong Dexter team to win its second consecutive State Championship. The game was played at Brewer H.S., and had been postponed due to rainy conditions on Saturday. Kayla Merrill threw her 15th shutout of the season and only allowed three hits to keep in check the Eastern Maine champions. On offense, Lyndsay Merrill had three hits and three runs scored, Nicena Walker three hits, three RBIs and two runs scored and Kayla Merrill had two hits, three runs and two RBIs to spark the offense. Hannah Morin added an RBI double and helped lead the defense with a tremendous catch in the sixth inning. Tasha Farnum added two hits and Kallie Brown had four put outs helping to keep the Tigers off the bases. This was Kayla's win number 50 in her career. The Western Maine Rebels fulfilled their potential and achieved the fourth State Championship for the softball program. Great job girls. (Note: Twenty years ago this week, Telstar softball led by Stacie Kangas, Dani Bernier, Kris Powell, Angie Hebert, Jen Bailey, Shilo Hutchins and Amy Hannon won the school's first softball State Championship.)—Coach Jim Lunney.

Historical Society—Annella Burnham and Joyce Howe watched the museum on Saturday, June 11. The museum has hundreds of old photos on the bulletin boards and shelves, in notebooks and files, and stored in boxes upstairs. You can learn so much from such pictorial records. The collection of

paper memorabilia is equally remarkable from single items to whole notebooks, to old magazines. They just received rare magazines on President Kennedy's death, for example. Visit the museum 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturdays this summer. The Woodstock Extension group traveled to visit Young's Greenhouse.

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Bethel HS presentations

A well-attended lecture in the 2011 Bethel Historical Series, sponsored in part by a grant from the Maine Humanities, was held in the Dr. Moses Mason Exhibit Hall June 16. It was titled, "From Bethel to Norway via the Congo: Margaret Tibbetts and U.S. Foreign Relations, 1949-1964" and was presented by Andrew DeRoche, lecturer in American History at the University of Colorado, Boulder. Dr. DeRoche earned his undergraduate degree in history from Princeton University followed by a history M.A. from the University of Maine and a Ph. D. in history from the University of Colorado at Boulder. Born and raised in Maine and the grandson of the late Jay and Melva Willard of Bethel, DeRoche is a specialist on U.S./Zimbabwe relations and wrote a biography of Ambassador Andrew Young. His lecture provided numerous insights into Bethel native Margaret Joy Tibbetts' African experience in the Congo (now Kinshasa) and Mozambique, which helped improve American understanding of affairs on that continent.

Margaret Joy Tibbetts was born in Bethel in 1919. She graduated as Valedictorian of her 1937 class at Gould Academy. She completed her education at Wheaton (B.A.) and at Bryn Mawr (M.A., Ph. D.). She served with the Office of Strategic Services prior to joining State Department in 1945 and the Foreign Service in 1952. In addition to her African assignment, she was also posted in Brussels and London before her appointment by President Lyndon Johnson as U.S. Ambassador to Norway in 1964. She became the first female Deputy Assistant Secretary of European and Canadian Affairs in 1969. Following her retirement in 1971, she was a visiting professor at Bowdoin College and active in community affairs in Bethel including years as Bethel Library Board Secretary, Gould Academy trustee, and Bethel Historical Society president.

Following her death in 2010, Rozanne Ridgway wrote of her in the January 2011 issue of State Magazine, "An ambassador who happened

to be a woman, a diplomat who had no peer regardless of gender, Ambassador Tibbetts returned to Maine to care for her mother, teach at Bowdoin and grow blueberries. This was consistent with the personal balance and perspective of one who wore yellow waders to call at the Foreign Office on rainy days. She, like Frances Willis before her, is a Foreign Service legend."

Summer musical events
For more than 40 years, the Bethel Historical Society has sponsored special summer events that have enriched the lives of all who attend - including local residents, society members, and visitors from around the world. This summer, the society will again host the ever-popular Fourth of July Community Picnic and Concert, featuring a two-hour performance by the Portland Brass Quintet. These talented musicians have been a central part of this event for the past nineteen years.

The Picnic and Concert will begin at 11:30 a.m. on the grounds of the Dr. Moses Mason House (14 Broad Street) or at the Middle Intervale Meetinghouse if the weather is inclement. This annual event was inaugurated by in his "Grove" in the 1850s.

The Historical Society is also delighted to announce that the Yankee Brass Band will return to Bethel on Saturday, July 30, after a three-year hiatus. With its collection of antique instruments and authentic music scores, the Yankee Brass Band gives the audience an auditory living-history experience they will long remember.

The quicksteps, gallops, pol-kas, mazurkas, schottisches and waltzes, and the many overtures and medleys popular in the mid-19th century make up the program of the typical brass band concert of yesteryear. Also performing that afternoon, starting at 1 p.m., will be the Carter Mountain Brass Band (N.H.), Newmont Band (Vt.), and the Centennial Brass Band (Maine). In order to cover expenses of these events, which total \$2,800, the society welcomes tax-deductible donations. All contributors will be listed prominently at both events, in local newspapers, and in the society's 2011 "Report of Giving."

Mahoosuc Arts to honor Jewel Clark

In every corner of Bethel you can find pieces of art lovingly created by Jewel Clark either out of pure inspiration or to help support a cause. Her prolific creation of art coupled with her dedicated support of local causes with her art is why she was chosen by the Mahoosuc Arts Council to be honored through the 22nd Annual Bethel Art Fair.

Not only is her painting of an old Bethel farmstead featured on the Bethel Art Fair poster, another ARTironclad chair master piece of hers will be put up for bid at the 8th Annual ARTironclad Auction which will take place during the Art Fair July 2 at 2 p.m. on the Bethel Common.

A self-taught artist, Jewel paints from her heart and considers the process sort of like "magic" having faith that "The paint will produce some incredible results if you just let it." Jewel's work also includes illustrations, graphic design, murals, theater sets, signs, lettering, and an extensive amount of faux finishing. Jewel also often utilizes her talent toward being what she calls an "action philanthropist," donating time and effort producing art to raise money for various causes.

"Skyfields; Gone but Not Forgotten" is the poster art for the 2011 Art Fair is Jewel's rendition of a well-known beautiful old Bethel homestead once owned by the late Beckie and Bruce Bailey. Their first 10 years living at "Skyfields" (aka Celladore) became the subject of a very entertaining manuscript written by Beckie which is currently featured in weekly segments in the Bethel Citizen. The painting is available as a 17 x 22 inch print, sold through Artistic Endeavors, on Route 2 in Bethel.

Jewel is also an accomplished singer, musician and song writer and is a MAC featured performer each summer for the free Bethel Bandstand Concert Series. This year she will appear with Donnie Kaitlin Aug. 14 at 4 p.m. on the Common.

FMI: 824-3575, info@mahoosucarts.org or www.mahoosucarts.org.

Church Services

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Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Coriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor; Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - Rev. Chuck Mason, 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 6 p.m. For information or if you need a ride or have a prayer request: 824-4028.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy, Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-2933.

Episcopal House Church - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. For details: 824-3932

West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices welcome. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Carol Stevens, Pastor. 9 a.m. Sunday Worship. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Wednesday. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

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Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. For info, call 824-8939.

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WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study 6:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade, 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson (207-527-2551), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

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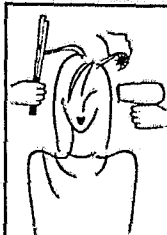
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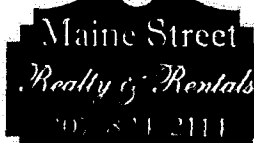
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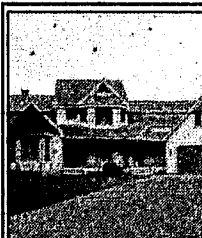
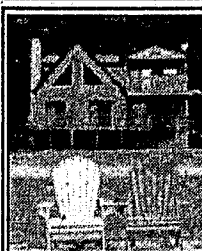
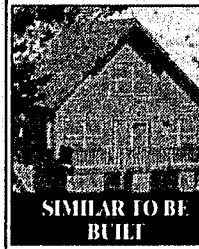
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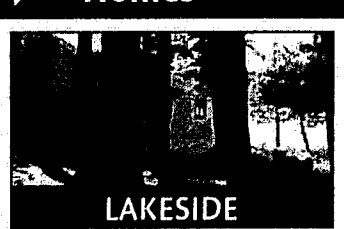
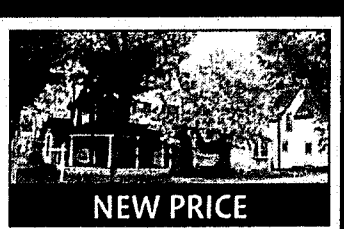
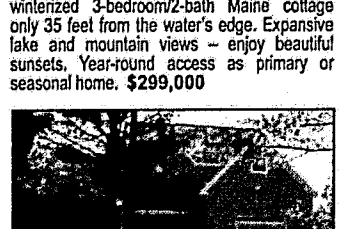
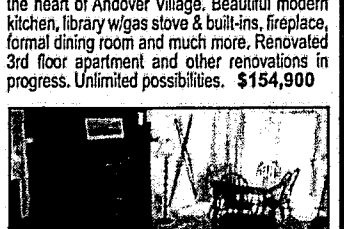
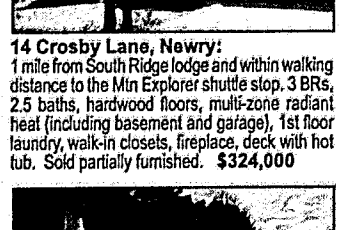
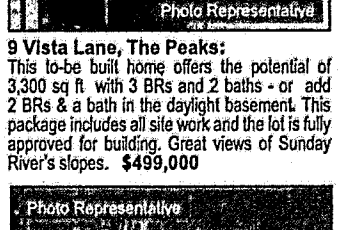
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MLS 1015412 Albany. 6 acres. Pretty rural building lot. Land has been nicely pruned for building site and mountain views. Lot sits high overlooking marshland, borders brook & has great rocks! Graveled driveway entrance is in, lot is surveyed & soil tested. Easy access, level bldg site. **\$44,000**

Obituaries

HOWARD F. CONANT

Howard F. Conant, 80, passed away Saturday, June 18, 2011 at his home in West Paris.

He was born in West Sumner on Dec. 1, 1930, the son of Leon E. and Florence Hadley Conant. He attended West Sumner elementary school and Norway high school, graduating with the Class of 1949. He worked at C.B. Cummings for 39 years as a machinist. In 1956, he married Althea Goding. He proudly served our country in the U. S. Army from 1950 to 1953, spending time in Korea.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Catherine LaJoie and her husband Brian of Lewiston; two sons, Brian Conant of South Paris and Keith Conant of Buckfield;

three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a sister, Marie Heino; four brothers, Leon Conant of Bryant Pond, Albert Conant of Oxford, Douglas Conant of Belgrade and Larry Conant of Sumner. He was predeceased by his parents; and a brother, Charles.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

A funeral service will be held Thursday, June 23, at 11 a.m. at Andrews Funeral Home, 64 Andrews Road, Bryant Pond, with interment to follow at Pleasant Valley Cemetery, South Paris. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Legion, Jackson-Silver Post, PO Box 178, Locke Mills, ME 04255.



TUESDAY CYCLING CLUB—The Western Maine Velo Club, organized through Bethel Bicycle, is now in its second year. Club members gather once a week at BB for rides of varying distance. Dwayne Bennett, Maggie Lore, Amanda Moran, Ann Speth, Karen Wilson, Lisa McAllister, Jim Reuter, Julia Reuter. "We thought it would be fun to have a ride group associated with Bethel Bicycle," said manager Maggie Lore. Last spring we had a sign-up list for anyone interested in cycling and had about 50 people sign up. The list has grown to over 85 now. At any one ride we have about 15+ people. We ride from May through October, starting with 15 mile rides, up to 40 mile rides by late June. Then we taper off as the days get shorter. Our shortest ride is the Songo Pond loop and our longest ride is Evans Notch, which we call an "out and back" ride. Lore has been manager at Bethel Bicycle since August of 2009. She moved to Bethel from Littleton, N.H., where she co-owned a bike shop for six years. "I have been cycling since I was in high school where I occasionally would ride to school, about 10 miles one way. I've been cycling for over 30 years," she said. Bethel Bicycle is owned by Peter Southam, who opened the business in June 2009. He is a full-time teacher at Gould Academy and the road and mountain bike cycling coach at Gould. "He has worked with bicycles for many years, and as I came from a retail background and he from a mechanics background, we have seen the business grow over the last two years. I've seen our cycling group double since last year, and the potential for continuous growth is phenomenal," said Lore. Janet Healey, who lives in Waterford, said she travels to Bethel often, but since joining the club, "I have a new appreciation for the beauty of the small town." Julia Reuter, a regular rider, said the Tuesday night rides "force me to leave work on time and get some exercise. They have also bolstered my drafting ability. The riders and their abilities vary weekly, but the slowest ones are always accommodated -- usually the ride splits into two groups. I encourage anyone to join in." Anyone interested in joining the club may call 824-0100 or e-mail peter@bethelbicycle.com. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

CLUB, ORGANIZATION NEWS

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations.

The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444.

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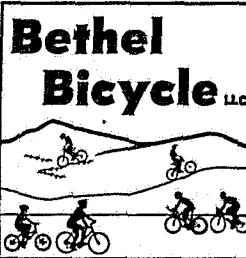
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